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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated January 7, 2005, four months extended until June 7, 2005 with a Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee, the Applicants respectfully traverse the Examiner's restriction requirement as being incomplete, and being insufficient in detail for the Applicants to elect a species.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner identify the alleged invention(s) and the alleged species so that Applicants can make a meaningful response.

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